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## **MEDIA ADVISORY**

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## \*\*Media Advisory for Friday, February 4th, at 11:00 AM\*\*

## Representative Ben Diamond to Host Roundtable Discussion with Pinellas County Veterans on Improving Florida's Veteran Suicide Prevention Efforts

**St. Petersburg, FL** – On Friday, Feb. 4 at 11 AM, **State Representative Ben Diamond (D-St. Petersburg)** will host a roundtable discussion on improving Florida's veteran suicide prevention efforts. Last month, **Representative Diamond** filed legislation to implement the Veteran Suicide Prevention Program in Florida, which would establish a pilot program directing the Florida Department of Veterans Affairs to offer each local veteran service officer specialized training and certification in preventing veteran suicide. Each year more than 500 Florida veterans die by suicide.

**Representative Diamond** will be joined by Pinellas County veteran stakeholders and advocates. This roundtable discussion is open to the press. Interested press should RSVP to <u>Max.Ulloa@myfloridahouse.gov</u>.

**WHAT:** Roundtable discussion on Representative Diamond's legislation to implement the Veteran Suicide Prevention Pilot Program in Florida

## WHO:

- State Representative Ben Diamond
- Pinellas County veteran stakeholders and advocates

WHEN: Friday, Feb. 4, at 11 AM

WHERE: American Legion Post 104, 7550 60th Street N., Pinellas Park, FL 33781